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WHOLE NO. 506.

"Former Anti-Slavery Party Now Aids Compulsory Labor"—PRESIDENT COMPERS.

Washington, Sept. 9.—In terms of infidelity, incentive and defiance, President Compers, school for one and one-half hours to newspaper correspondents at A. F. of L. headquarters on the injunction against striking railroad shop men. "It is indeed strange," said the unionist, "that in a republic founded on the principle of freedom and justice, and a recognition of the rights of man, that the political party of Lincoln, Phillips, Beecher, and Garrison, under whose leadership slavery was abolished, should now be so busy with the restoration of compulsory labor. I belong to no political party, and I, therefore, do not speak as a partisan, but the whole procedure bears out Thomas Jefferson's warning of usurpation of power by the courts. And in this case it has been spurred on by the federal administration."

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Hard Coal Strike Is Won by Miners

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DAUGHERTY'S WILDEST CLAIM IS NOW SHOWN TO BE UNTRUE

(From the New York World, Issue Sept. 9.) In his plea for the injunction against the railway strikers in Chicago, Friday Attorney General Daugherty enumerated several instances of disruption of train service and pointed to them as explaining the necessity of the injunction. Among them was this: "In Somerset, Ky. 4,000 coal miners blundered out were congested in the railroad yards yesterday (Thursday). Vandalism had tampered with more than 500 cars there."

"No coal cars are tied up in Somerset; no cars have been tampered with."

INJUNCTION FOLLY AFFECTS PATRIOTISM

Washington, Sept. 9.—The wickedness of the administration's course in securing an injunction against the shop men is matched only by its folly, declared Countess de Montebello. "The present administration is definitely and clearly aligned with the railroad executives for the purpose of driving the strikers back into the shops," she said. "The administration's entire course dealing with the coal and railroad strikes has constituted a series of blunders of which this is the most stupid."

CONSTITUTION AND LAW SET ASIDE BY ADMINISTRATION'S INJUNCTION

Chicago, Sept. 9.—The federal administration has publicly avowed its affinity to the course of reaction by its successful appeal for an injunction against striking shop men. The move was led by Attorney General Daugherty, who personally appeared before Federal Judge Wilkerson in the city. The proceedings were staged with the utmost secrecy and were undoubtedly intended to terrify the shop men and stampede them back to their jobs.

The attorney general made the usual Peckhamian plea that he is not attacking trade unionism, and insisted "that in his judgment this movement is necessary for the protection and the preservation of the unions themselves."

FRENZIED FINANCE WRECKS ALTON ROAD

Chicago, Sept. 3.—Staggering under the load of watered stock, the Alton & Eastern Illinois railroad is in the hands of a receiver. The government has been unable to unravel the tangle that resulted in the collapse of this railroad property. Public notice that striking railroad shop men are responsible for the collapse has been issued, but it has not served as a shield against the real cause of the disaster, which was the Wall Street dispatch.

MINERS' TREASURY ATTRACTS BOSSES

Washington, Sept. 9.—Coal companies that were plaintiffs in the Colorado case are disheartened by the decision and have asked the court to reconsider its ruling. The Colorado case held that the United Mine Workers were liable for three-quarters of a billion of dollars in damages. The decision was a blow to the miners' treasury, which has been used to support the strike.

TEXTILE WAGES LOW

New York, Sept. 9.—"Employers insist that a 10 per cent wage increase is the only way to get the textile workers back to work. They refuse, or are ashamed, to pay the 10 per cent increase. The workers are now on strike, and the textile industry is suffering from a shortage of labor."

ROAD REDUCES LOSS

Washington, Sept. 9.—Tonnage hauled by Erie Railroad locomotives has been reduced by 10 per cent, according to information received from the railroad. The reduction is due to the fact that the railroad has been able to reduce its losses by 10 per cent.

STATE UNIONS TO MEET

Long Beach, Cal., Sept. 9.—The annual convention of the California State Federation of Labor will be held in this city this week in October. The convention will be held at the Long Beach Hotel.

STRIKERS SUSTAINED

New York, Sept. 9.—A statement to the churches of the country by the American Council of the Churches, a national council of the churches of the United States, has been issued. The statement says that the striking shop men have been sustained.

BURNS METHODS RECALLED

Philadelphia, Sept. 9.—Stern for the history of William J. Burns, head of the American Protective League, has been published. The book is a biography of Burns, who was a prominent figure in the history of the American Protective League.

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"Harding Perfidy," Eastern Strikers Say

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